

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 PORT A 01809 211738Z

53

ACTION PC-10

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 ISO-00 AID-05 IGA-01 SS-15 SP-02 L-03

CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 EB-07 OMB-01 AGR-05 COME-00

TRSE-00 /063 W

----- 011114

R 211600Z JUL 75

FM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 281

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE PORT AU PRINCE 1809

PASS PEACE CORPS AND AID

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: EAID HA

SUBJ: VISIT OF VITO STAGLIANO JULY 6-19: RENEWED ATTEMPT TO  
CLARIFY FOR GOH ITS DECISION ON POSSIBLE PEACE CORPS  
PROGRAM IN HAITI

REF: STATE 118610

1. SUMMARY. WITH STAGLIANO'S ABLE ASSISTANCE, WE HAVE CONDUCTED WITH INTERESTED MEMBERS OF GOH CABINET ANOTHER EXPLORATORY ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS AIMED AT GETTING GOH TO MAKE UP ITS MIND WHETHER IT WANTS A PEACE CORPS PROGRAM IN HAITI. WE HAVE PRESENTED A NEW DRAFT BASIC AGREEMENT, PREPARED BY STAGLIANO DURING VISIT. AT STAGLIANO'S "EXIT INTERVIEW" JULY 18, FOREIGN SECY BRUTUS SAID HE WOULD SEE PRES DUVALIER JULY 22 AND WOULD ARGUE FOR PROGRAM. WHILE WE CANNOT PREDICT OUTCOME OR ONWARD PACE OF GOH DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, WE WILL STAY IN TOUCH WITH GOH AND WILL REPORT ENSUING DEVELOPMENTS PROMPTLY. END SUMMARY.

2. ACCOMPANIED BY DCM THOMSON, STAGLIANO HAD SESSIONS WITH AGRICULTURE SECRETARY JAURES LEVEQUE (JULY 10), PUBLIC HEALTH SECRETARY DANIEL BEAULIEU (JULY 10), FINANCE SECRETARY AND CONADEP CHAIRMAN EMMANUEL BROS (JUL 15), AND FOREIGN SECRETARY EDNER  
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 PORT A 01809 211738Z

BRUTUS (JULY 18). LEVEQUE SET UP EXTENSIVE WORKING SESSION JULY

14 AT WHICH STAGLIANO EXPLORED POSSIBLE PROJECTS WITH 9 SECTION HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. ALL GOH OFFICIALS SEEMED POSITIVELY IMPRESSED. SOME REFERRED IN GENERALITIES TO UNDERLYING HESITATION OF GOH IN THE PAST (WHICH THEY, OF COURSE, DID NOT PERSONALLY SHARE) TO GET INVOLVED IN PEACE CORPS PROGRAM. STAGLIANO ALSO HAD OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT EXTENSIVELY WITH AID OFFICERS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, AS WELL AS TO GET A LOOK AT NEARBY RURAL WORKING ENVIRONMENT.

3. WE MADE CLEAR TO ALL CONCERNED THAT FIRST STEP WOULD HAVE TO BE CONCLUSION OF BASIC AGREEMENT, WHICH WOULD CONSTITUTE GOH'S REQUEST FOR A PC PROGRAM. CURRENT DISCUSSIONS ON POSSIBLE PROJECTS IN AREAS OF AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC HEALTH WERE ILLUSTRATIVE AND NOT LIMITING. WE EXPLAINED OBLIGATION GOH WOULD BE EXPECTED TO UNDERTAKE, DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN POINTS WHICH WERE NEGOTIABLE AND THOSE WHICH WERE NOT. WE ALSO SKETCHED OUT FOR GOH OFFICIALS THE STEPS WHICH WOULD FOLLOW NEGOTIATION OF BASIC AGREEMENT AND THE TIME FRAMES NECESSARY FOR EACH STEP, INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT OF PC REPRESENTATIVE IN HAITI, AGREEMENT ON INITIAL PROJECTS, RECRUITMENT OF QUALIFIED PCVS AND INITIAL IN-COUNTRY TRAINING.

4. MEANWHILE, AMBASSADOR REMAINED IN TOUCH WITH BRUTUS AND PRESENTED HIM ON JULY 16 WITH DRAFT BASIC AGREEMENT (IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH) WHICH STAGLIANO HAD PREPARED. IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THIS TEXT WAS FIRST DRAFT, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY BOTH GOVERNMENTS. (STAGLIANO HAND-CARRIED COPIES OF BOTH TEXTS BACK TO PC/W; WE ARE POUCHING COPIES OF BOTH TEXTS TO DEPARTMENT, ARA-LA/CAR).

5. IN INTERVIEW JULY 18 JUST BEFORE STAGLIANO'S DEPARTURE, BRUTUS INDICATED THAT HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES NOW HAD A GOOD BASIS FOR ASSESSING THE QUESTION, AND SAID HE WOULD "ADVOCATE" A PC PROGRAM WHEN HE NEXT SAW PRESIDENT DUVALIER, PROBABLY ON TUESDAY, JULY 22. (THERE IS, OF COURSE, NO ASSURANCE THAT DUVALIER WILL REACH ANY DECISION PROMPTLY).

6. WE BELIEVE STAGLIANO'S MISSION SHOULD PROVE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN THOSE WHICH PRECEDED IT. HE WAS WELL PREPARED, AND HIS TOUCH WAS JUST RIGHT. THE TWO-WEEK TIME SPAN ALLOWED FOR ADEQUATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 PORT A 01809 211738Z

CONTACT WITH ALL THE KEY CABINET OFFICIALS AS WELL AS OTHERS. THE TIMING WAS FAVORABLE, SINCE DUVALIER AND ALL SENIOR GOH OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SHOWING PROFOUND APPRECIATION FOR QUICK USG RESPONSE TO DROUGHT PROBLEM IN NORTHWEST HAITI BY EMERGENCY FOOD PROGRAM WHICH AID AND VOLAGENCIES HAVE BEEN CARRYING OUT SINCE LATE MAY.

7. WE WILL REPORT BY CABLE ALL SIGNIFICANT REACTIONS AND DEVELOPMENTS.

ISHAM

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** FOREIGN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, VOLUNTARY AGENCIES  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 21 JUL 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975PORTA01809  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750251-0805  
**From:** PORT AU PRINCE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t19750737/aaaabgvc.tel  
**Line Count:** 116  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION PC  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** 75 STATE 118610  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 10 SEP 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <10 SEP 2003 by ellisoob>; APPROVED <05 NOV 2003 by GolinoFR>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** VISIT OF VITO STAGLIANO JULY 6-19: RENEWED ATTEMPT TO CLARIFY FOR GOH ITS DECISION ON POSSIBLE PEACE CORPS  
**TAGS:** EAID, HA, US, PC, (STAGLIANO, VITO)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006